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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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AMENDMENTS

Claims 1—7 are originally filed.

Claims 1—7 are unchanged by this amendment.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

1 This communication is in response to the Office Action, associated with the
2 parent case of the instant application, dated July 16,2003, for which a three-month
3 shortened statutory period for response is set for October 16, 2003. Please amend
4 the above-identified application in accordance the directions set forth below. The
5 format of this communication is accordance with the Pre-OG press release titled
6 “Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted” (“revised amendment
7 format”), as set forth in the News and Notices section of the official website of the
8 United States Patent and Trademark Office (PTO).